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File: E-20994 Amendment 14

Ms. Lisa Stump  
Manager- Regulatory Strategy (Iowa)  
ITC Midwest  
100 East Grand Ave., Suite 230  
Des Moines, IA 50309

Dear Ms. Stump:

On February 13, 2013, ITC Midwest filed a petition for amendment of electric transmission line franchise using the abbreviated process to increase the maximum voltage of 3.53 miles of transmission line to 69 kV in Linn County. The petition has been assigned to Docket E-20994 Amendment 14. Please include this docket number on all correspondence regarding this petition.

The following deficiencies have been identified and require correction.

**Petition Form**

- The form should list the amendment number as "14," not "13."
- The current version of the Iowa Code should be shown as "(2013)," not "(2011) as amended."

**Exhibit A**

- The exhibit should list the amendment number as "14," not "13."

**Exhibit B**

- The exhibit should list the amendment number as "14," not "13."

**Exhibit C-1**

- The nominal operation voltage listed in Exhibit C is 69 kVAC while Exhibit D states the line will be operated at 34.5 kVAC.

## **Exhibit C-2**

- The nominal operation voltage listed in Exhibit C is 69 kVAC while Exhibit D states the line will be operated at 34.5 kVAC.
- A drawing showing the location of the proposed line in relation to the required clearance envelope around the grain bin near 4114 East Otter Road needs to be submitted.
- A LP tank is also located near 4114 East Otter Road. NFPA 58 6.5.4.12 states an aboveground LP-Gas container and any of its parts shall not be located within 6 feet of a vertical plane beneath overhead electric power lines that are over 600 volts, nominal. A drawing showing the location of the proposed line with relation to the LP tank and the requirements of NFPA 58 should be submitted.
- In front of 4085 East Otter Road, a platform structure has been erected in the trees currently growing into the existing line. A detailed explanation, along with applicable drawings, should be submitted explaining how safety will be maintained at this location.



## **Exhibit D**

- Exhibit D states the line will be operated at 34.5 kVAC while the nominal operating voltage listed in the Exhibit C's is 69 kVAC.
- Simply requesting an amendment to franchise does not make a showing of the possible use of alternative routes and methods of supply.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (515) 725-7353 or at [jim.sundermeyer@iub.iowa.gov](mailto:jim.sundermeyer@iub.iowa.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/ Jim Sundermeyer

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